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CEDAR CITY, UTAH – The Cave Fire was ignited at approximately 4:41 p.m. yesterday, 10 miles southwest of Santa Clara. The fire size is estimated to be roughly 1200 acres, burning in cheatgrass, sagebrush and pinion juniper. The cause is under investigation.

Interagency resources from the State of Utah, Forest Service, BLM, and BIA responded in a joint effort to the Cave fire.

Last night, firefighters performed burn-out operations to prevent the fire from jumping the OMG processing plant road. Due to numerous fire personal and vehicles in the area, we are asking for individuals to limit travel near the fire for public and firefighter safety.

This fire has been turned over to Tim Duck's Type 3 Incident Management team this morning.

Equipment on the fire last night included: 22 engines, 1 helicopter, 1 heavy air tanker, 1 water tender and 2 hand crews. More resources have been dispatched to the fire, and are arriving this morning.

There is no estimated time of containment at the present time.

There is a fire weather watch in effective for today because of expected high winds and low humidity.

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